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Ms. Pat Sheppard
Reports Analysis Division
Federal Election Commission
999 E Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20463

RE: Friends of Hillary
Identification Number: C00358895

Dear Ms. Sheppard:

This response is submitted on behalf of Friends of Hillary (the "Committee") to answer a question raised in the Federal Election Commission's ("FEC" or the "Commission") February 13, 2001 notification concerning information reported in the 30 Day Post -General Report (the "Post-General Report"). An itemization of the Committee's response to the FEC's questions follows:

1. Contributions questioned by FEC as excessive were properly redesignated and will be reported pursuant to FEC Regulations

In the FEC's February 13, 2001 notification, you identified five contributions that appeared to be excessive. Each of these contributions were properly reported as "seeking redesignation" to put the FEC on notice that the Committee was attempting to obtain a redesignation pursuant to FEC Regulations. The Committee has 60-days from the date of receipt to obtain a signed redesignation from a donor or refund the excessive portion of the contribution. 11 C.F.R. §103.3(b)(3). The Committee's Year End Report did not include an itemization resolving some of the contributions reported on the Post-General Report as "seeking redesignation" because the 60-day period for obtaining such redesignations extended beyond the closing date of the Year End Report period. The Post-General Report "seeking redesignation" contributions not reported as redesignated or refunded on the Year End Report will be properly reported on the Committee's next report, the 2001 Mid-Year Report.

Your assertion that "[t]o date [February 13, 2001], one or more of the ... excessive contributions have not been refunded, redesignated, or reattributed" is incorrect. The Committee has attached for your review a copy of the redesignation letter that was obtained from each of the five contributors within 60-days of the date of receipt of